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The Spider and the Fly

British newspapers arriving here strongly advocate the sending of an invitation to the Japanese to enter Europe and take part in the Balkan campaign on the side of the allies. It is suggested that the Japanese can send 500,000 men into Turkish provinces and the Balkans and turn the scale of the war.

Perhaps they might. The truth is, Great Britain is afraid to call upon her ally. Even as a last resort, to save the allies from defeat, it is doubtful if the Japanese would be welcome in Europe or western Asia. Britain especially, and all her allies, well recognize that Japan is playing the elect hand in this war. Japan is helping Russia with war munitions in return for the cession of the long coveted island of Sakhalin-and doubtless other concessions not yet known to the pub-

lic. Otherwise she is playing strictly a waiting game. Britain and the others know that if Japan were inwited into Europe or western Asia to save the cause of the allies, the price demanded would be huge. It would be a worse hurt to imperial pride, perhaps, even than defeat by a great western alliance. The least that Japan would ask would be a free hand in China-practical annexation, or a full protectorate. She might go further and ask for a footbold in the Straits, and additional grants by Russia. Japan would be a hard bar-

And the appearance of the yellow men in Europe would change the whole face of affairs. It would be a denial of all the history and philosophy of the western peoples. It would be such a confession of decadence as the western allies could not live down in 1000 years. Japan with her ships in the Red sea and the Mediterranean, her troops on European soil, would be a cunning and heartless trader for advantage. Coming in at this lafe stage in the war, by urgent invitation, she could and would claim that it was her throwing herself in the balance that ended the war. Her price would be

But the Balkan campaign is today the most interesting movement in the war. The British press openly recognizes that the central empires have struck at the heart of British supremacy, endangering the empire's interests in Asia to a greater extent than they have ever before been threatened

Reasonable Preparedness

One wonders why some of the churches are taking such a strong stand against national preparedness for defence against unprovoked assault. In religious affairs they preach preparedness all the time. Most of the sermon texts ring the changes on preparedness. The general attitude of the churches toward death and the next world is that of urging preparedness. They assume the worst will happen, if we do not take steps to prepare against the worst happening. They urge us to put our houses in order, to look to the future, to throw

off the scales of blindness.

The churches do not seem to think that preparedness for death causes death. They do not seem to think that reflection upon the need of repentance incites us to sin. Why should they think that reasonable provision for the self defence of a nation, and for the se-curity of its future, would turn this people into a race

of raiders, pirates, and war fiends? Unpreparedness has never caused us, or any other nation, to stay the hand. War sometimes comes quite as a surprise, unwelcome. It sometimes is entered upon through impulse, without deliberation. Sometimes it is chosen calmly and after the fullest consideration, as the better way. But never is the heart of the people in the presence of threatening war, influenced by any thought of whether we are ready or not. The United States would declare war against all Europe today if it felt that some vital interest were assailed. and would face with equanimity the possibility of being outnumbered ten to one and attacked by a force 50 times superior to anything we could muster hurriedly

"Preparedness" really narrows down to this: First, sufficient training for the great body of human material so that it would not be sent into war absolutely raw—its own worst enemy; second, training of enough officers so that any large army that might be necessary would not be sent to its shameful, unnecessary, and in-glorious death under incompetent leaders; third, that enough war material be accumulated and stored so that a large army could be immediately armed, equipped,

The Herald fails to see in a program of preparedness, any temptation to wrongful use of power. Other factors in human nature determine that.

and supplied in case of need.

El Paso As a Recreation Center

Everybody has noticed the large crowds in the streets of El Paso of late-large crowds on all occasions, not merely when a parade is passing or there is some special attraction down town. Any afternson, if you are interested in studying local conditions, just walk around the streets where the business houses are thickest, go into the stores, hotels, moving picture houses, ice cream parlors, and restaurants, and you may be surprised at the evidence of bustle and of a

large and active population.

The other day, when there was nothing special to explain it, one of the main business streets was lined so thickly with people passing along the walks that it was hard to make headway, and the stores and places of amusement were so crowded it looked like some

Go to the union station about the time one the 'unburban" trains comes in-the morning Santa Fe, the Tucumcari local, or the G. H. or T. P. day trains instance. You will see scores of people alight, and you may be surprised to see how large a proportion bring no luggage, not even a suitcase—they are in for the day, from places anywhere within 100 miles, to do their shopping and see a little town life. You will see scores more, evidently not through passengers—whole families of "suburban" dwellers from anywhere within 250 to 400 miles, with hand baggage, visiting El Paso for a grand holiday and some business.

El Paso hardly realizes to what an extent the city has already become the great central amusement resort of the southwest. This city of 60,000 people has developed far beyond the usual status of cities of the size. El Paso is a young metropolis, with many of the really metropolitan features. But there is a great opportunity for us to do more than we have ever done, to encourage this sort of travel,

El Paso ought to make herself known all over the southwest as a great recreation resort. These people who come to play will remain to buy—no fear about that. But one of the surest ways to strengthen our hold on the whole region is to make this a great play resort for the people. We cannot extend ourselves too far in this direction. We must entertain our neighbors.

The diplomacy of Greece is well oiled.

Wide Parkings Save Money

With much new paving going on or about to start in different residence sections of the city, it is timely to temind property owners of the great advantages of wide parkways on all residence streets which are not main highways of through traffic and which carry no

In order to have successful parkways, continuous and properly maintained, it is essential that they be under the care and control of the city government through its park department. Very narrow parkways are not worth the expenditure necessary for special water service, and are not economical to care for with the municipal park forces. But when property owners desire to put in parkways of suitable width, the city government will take full charge of their construction and planting, and will care for them ever afterwards.

To do this, a special water service is necessary, wholly independent of the individual domestic service. It is necessary to grade and fertilize the ground, and plant grace, trees in uniform variety, and shrubs. The city park department takes full charge of this, and the cost to the property owners of construction and upkeep in nominal—only a fraction of what it would cost under private control.

Any property owner can satisfy himself about the wisdom of parked streets, if he will only walk along Rio Grande, Arizona, or Nevada street, or Magoffin avenue, and compare the effect with that of the un-parked streets. There is nothing beautiful about a toowide pavement. A pavement over 30 feet wide on a strictly residence street is too wide. This has been determined upon as a proper street width by the progressive cities all over the United States. With a six foot walk along the property line, a space 14 feet wide is thus left for parking on each side of the street. No street should be newly paved without providing

for the wide parkways. The only exceptions are as

Business in El Paso never gets a rest, yet it seems to keep its health.

A city must advertise toward particular aims, just as a merchant advertises. As the city's publicity work is now being conducted, nothing is done blindly.

Short Snatches From Everywhere

The loser's smile is a feat of contortion. -Baltimore

Villa may now try a little of that watchful waiting.

Los Angeles Herald. Etil communications current good neutrals-Columbia (S. C.) State.

Bruzil has signed a peace pact. New look out for war - Fort Worth Record.

war - Fort worth Record.

It looks as if the stock market had been oversubactibed too - Boston Advertiser.

When England gets through using the recall, it
should try a little initiative - St. Louis l'ost-Dispatch.

The Made-in-Toxas free lunch has not yet found it becessary to clamor for patronage.—Houston (Texas)

Looks like secretary Daniels wants a punch in the navy, eyes though he has removed the bowl. Los Angeles Herald.

The destruction of the commerce which civiliza-tion has taken centuries to develop is not merely snarchy, it is insanity.—Dallas News.

Two thousand French school teachers have been killed in a war of so-called civilization. What more could burburium do?-St. Louis Fost-Disputch.

of course, the other fellow cannot do your work as well as you do it. Nevertheless you know you can do his work better than he does it.—Toledo Blade. Secretary Lansing doesn't mind giving a foreign government a joit new and then, but diplomatically heattakes tackling woman suffrage.—Pittsburg (Pa.) Despatch.

Apparently the troubles of Mexico are drawing to a close, and a new era of national development and prosperity is on the way for the long-troubled country.

—Pathas Times-Herald.

There seems to be a real nice little contest browing between governor Hunz and congressman Henry Acturat for the United States senatorial toga, from Arizona, although, so far neither will admit it.—Yuma (Ariz.) Sun.

There is no flourish of trumpets about it, but Cochine county is setting a mighty good example in the matter of making good roads, and permanent bridges are a large part of the highway construction.

Douglas (Ariz.) Dispatch.

It requires even more than an ordinary degree of optimism to conclude that the recognition of Carranza will secure peace in Mexico-but let us hope for the best. If that will accomplish it, it will be cheap at the price.—Phoenix (Ariz) Gazetta.

Soft Voiced Touring Cars and Luxurious Trains Add Much To the Cost of High Living These Days



"See the little rain drops Coming from the sky. I woulder why they're never hurt, When falling from so high?"

Jehnnie "Be Johnnie spoke his piece. It went A uto Hoboes Latest Things In "Gas" Bum Rides From Transcontinental

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"Indeed it would, Nannie," said Uncle like it was a large in the page it would be considered in the castern part of wark of the special in the castern part of wark of the special in the castern part of wark of the special in the castern part of wark of the special in the castern part of wark of the special in the castern part of wark of the special in the special in the castern part of wark of the special in the special in the castern part of wark of the special in t

wark on the new budget campaign as acon as possible. The campaign will be beaded by R. R. Orndorff, president of the chamber, each director will act as chairman of one of the canvassing committees and the directors will be amissised by Robert Krakauer, former president of the chamber of commerce who made such a success of the canvass last year, C. R. Stevens, Claiborne Adams and others of the business men.

Many Conventions.

The increase of the bedget from \$40,000 to \$1,000 is made necessary, the directors explain, by the conventions which \$1 7-no has obtained or is working for during the coming year. The American National Livestock association will meet bere in January. This will be the biggest cattle convention ever entertained in £1 Fano as it is the parent organization of all the cattle associations.

Dam Celebration. Dam Celebration.

The convention of Ontdoor novertisers will also be held here and an effort will be made to obtain the International Prication congress, the soil products exposition and other conventions. The colebration of the opening of the Hilphant Bute dans is another hig even for the caming year.

Those who attended the meeting were:
R. B. Orndorff, George R. LeBaron, W.

Hatred

HATE a lot of men, I wist; I'd camp upon their frames, but when I try to make a list, I can't recall their names. I should resent the evil flings from this or that old scout, but there are far more pleasant things that I can think about. Old Weatherwax has done me ill, here in my native town, and every day he tries to kill my twenty-cent renown; I've heard the evil things he's said, and yet I dou't repine; and if I tried to punch his head, he'd surely land on mine. Vain is the effort to defend one's fame from such attacks; I'd rather gossip with a friend than scrap with Weatherwax. I do not care what people say, words leave no smarts or stings; and every passing, sunny day is full of pleasant things. Why should I miss the sight of birds, as to the snuth they go, to stand around and bandy words with some long-winded foe? Why should I harbor thoughts of hate, when there are authors near, with healthy stories to relate, and pomes that soothe and cheer? Why should I hold a vengeful mind, when it is best to laugh, when I can sit around and grind chunes from my phono-

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present.

"I know just the very thing to get her," said the rabbit zentleman to himself as he bopped along. "A rubber plant! She has been wanting one for the partor these many days and now she shall have it. I am glad I remembered about it for her birthday."

As uncle went along toward the fortil's greenhouse he wondered how the subber plant came to have such a funny name.

In it because they use the leaves to

"Is it because they use the leaves to rub out wrong peneil marks, as the animal children do with their rubber regasers in the bollow stump school?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"I think not," the flurist replied, as he wrapped up the plant in heavy super, so it would not freeze, when Uncle Wiggily carried it home to Nurse June. "I think they call it is rubber plant hecause its leaves are just like rubber, and they don't mind water a bit. In fact, water runs off the leaves of a rubber plant as it runs off the leaves of a rubber plant as it runs off the leaves of a rubber plant as it runs off the leaves of a rubber plant as it runs off the leaves of a lube, Alice or Jimmie Wibblewoolble the duck children."

Indeed, that is a pice thing to know, said Uncle Wiggily. "A rubber plant doesn't mind water."

Then the old gentleman rabbit took the wrapped-up rubber plant under his naw and back he started for the hollow stump bingulow. Pretty soon Uncle Wiggily came to the achool where the animal children learned thoir lessons.

"I wonder how the bads mouse."

Good morning. Nurse Jane

Fuzzy Wuxny," spoke Uncle
Wirxily Longears, the rabbit
gentleman, as he came down stairs in
his hollow stump bungalow one morning and sat down to sreakfant.

Good morning, Uncle Wigzily," replied the muskrat lady housekreper politely as she poured out the corn-coffee
which the old rabbit gentleman always
sirank.

The you know what day this is:

"Ob, Uncle Wigzily," asked the Indy-